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Sharing memories

On Sept. 11, 2001, at 8:45 a.m., I sat behind my desk, legs propped up, chatting with the executive director of the Hudson County Improvement Authority. A peek of my firm was the vista view of the New York skyline, including the World Trade Center. The odd direction of the first suicide plane caught my partial attention. The impact, the smoke, the second crash are moments locked in my mind's eye.

But in the coming week, what I saw and my memories of my neighbors in Union County are amazing. I want to share them.

Left Out

By Frank Copece

By 10 a.m. on the day of the tragedy, the somber mood at John Rannels Hospital in Berkeley Heights was broken by the emergency meeting called by Director Joe Sharp. Preparations were under way at the facility if needed for the wounded.

Top nurses Susan Palma and Laura Manfredi took notes, but the intense sadness and shock was clear in their eyes. The irony is that they spend their days fighting human degeneration. But there is no way to become callous to the horrors of the World Trade Center tragedy.

By Wednesday, Union County Undersheriff Bill Malcolm, in conjunction with the county police, was reviewing sites for security. One of my favorite stories centers around Perth Amboy. With the closing of the Outerbridge Crossing, that city became a giant parking lot for New York commuters unable to get back.

The city's mayor, Joseph Vas, supervised until the few hours of the morning the city's effort to cope with the public traffic safety problem. It turns out the middle class, largely Hispanic community, took those commuters from their BMWs and Audis into their homes, to use regular phones since cell phones were out, to use a restroom, and even get a bite to eat. You can fill in your own blanks about the melting pot working.

The reports of public safety personnel from our local communities reaching to assist was already becoming widespread. Garwood cop and Winfield fireman James Wright was placed with fellow officers in Brooklyn. He called his parents not to worry, telling them a fine Irish woman in one of the buildings was serving them dinner. Elizabeth Mayor J. Christian Bollage on Thursday accompanied his men into the city to deal directly with the tragedy. Over the weekend, the alert thinking of a city gas station attendant helped

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Students come together

By Mark Hrywna
Regional Editor

For 15 minutes, students lined up, took a penny, placed it into a bowl and pinned a black ribbon to their shirts as Eric Clapton's "Tears in Heaven" echoed through the Commons at Union County College's Cranford campus.

Students, faculty and administrators came together Friday afternoon for a second "Day of Meditation" to reflect on the terrorist attack on America last week.

"Everyone in this school is affected whether they knew anyone or not," student Nicole Williams of Rahway said. Williams' father works in Lower Manhattan near the Twin Towers. Williams' sister, a student at Pace University in New York, was to have met her father in the city that morning but woke up late. Both her father and sister would be all right. "For hours, we didn't know whether he was alive," she said, holding back tears. "They were the scariest moments of my life."

"I knew I wasn't the only one feeling like this," Williams said, and believed something could be done at the college. "It's important to come together and deal with it." After approaching Athletic Director Jim McCae, she was brought in touch with the Student Government Association leaders who helped put together the Day of Meditation. "I thought we needed to do something," she said. English professor Joyce Maxwell,



Doug Smith, left, pitches a penny and receives a black ribbon during a Day of Meditation at Union County College on Friday. Diane DeFilippis pins a ribbon on Jessica Swiatkowski, right, after the ceremony to reflect on last week's New York City disaster.



Photos By Bob Halbach

advisor to the SGA, opened the ceremony explaining "the need to come together as a community, as a family and take these days to reflect."

"We're showing our love, our support and our strength for what happened on Tuesday, Sept. 11 and support for those many who perished and those families that may have lost loved ones," Maxwell said.

Members of the Student Government Association — Sheryl Hughes, Robert Lovasz, Evelio "J.R." Calderon, Lola Oriowo and Ernest Caldwell — read various poems, expressing their sorrow, pain and anger.

"I can't remember a time when we've been impacted as much," Wallace Smith, vice president for academic affairs, said. "If there was a time, I can't remember when."

"It's very different, we've never had to deal with so much death and tragedy in the same week."

Smith said the administration respects the student representatives. "The outpouring of support we haven't seen in a long time. No one has had to encourage them to do it. Students who normally don't participate are participating in everything."

Kean University also took part in observance of the National Day of Mourning and Remembrance with a program on Friday. The University Center Atrium overflowed with students, faculty and staff who gathered to remember and honor the victims of the terrorist attacks.

Student leaders Dustin Antonio, Rennison Jagdeo, Bill Flood and

Alvin Florentino opened the program by leading in the Pledge of Allegiance.

"This shows that there is still human compassion," student Rose Mey Pierre said.

"I keep thinking that we shouldn't give up, that we shouldn't live in fear that our lives will just end like that," Davon Lawrence, another student, said.

SGA officers estimated about 300 students and faculty attended UCC's Day of Meditation on Sept. 13 and even more on Friday.

"Thanks to the Student Government Association, I was one person who thought something should be done," Williams said. "For this to take place, it's amazing."

Smoke tests come back negative

Tests for two potential byproducts of burning plastic have come back negative from tests from Union County's Division of Emergency Management, according to County Manager Michael Lapolla.

Officials from Union County's Division of Emergency Management were sent into the field throughout the county to test air quality, after a plume of smoke from the World Trade Center blew westward into the county.

"We have no indication that the smoke is dangerous in such low quantities, but we wanted to make sure," said Freeholder Chairman Alexander Mirabella. "The county's Bureau of Environmental Enforcement, which checks air quality regularly to monitor air pollution, looked for chemicals identified as dangerous by the state's Department of Environmental Protection. There was no trace of those chemicals in our tests."

Union County has posted employees in Elizabeth and Linden, where smoke from the fires in Manhattan first came ashore, to respond immediately if another plume blows this way.

Despite these results, the Division of Emergency Management has asked schools to limit recess if they are concerned about the smell of smoke outside.

In addition, the state has tested for airborne particles, like asbestos and biological agents, from the site. Those tests also came back with negative results.

Among the many police, fire and rescue personnel and equipment sent to Manhattan, Union County's Division of Emergency Management has sent its Mobile Communications Vehicle and staff into Manhattan to help in rescue and safety efforts.

Prosecutor warns of related scams

Residents, particularly senior citizens, are being asked to be cautious about fund-raising schemes connected to the recent acts of terrorism.

Union County Prosecutor Thomas Manahan said he wanted to alert the public that there may be "unscrupulous solicitation" from opportunists who contact citizens asking them to donate funds to authorized charities and foundations.

"It should surprise no one, especially elderly residents who often find themselves the targets of such crimes, that persons may be calling to ask for donations in the wake of this unspeakable national tragedy," the prosecutor said.

He asked county residents who are suspicious about telephone solicitations to contact the Special Prosecutions Unit of his office or Florence L. Peterson, director of the county's Division of Consumer Affairs, at 908-564-9840.

Hospitals prepare for after effects of disaster

By Michelle Runge
and Mark Hrywna

Local hospitals were on emergency alert following the Sept. 11 terrorist attack on New York City, treating some patients who made it out of Lower Manhattan that day. Now, hospitals are doing their part, through grief counseling, blood drives or collecting needed supplies for rescue workers.

Union County officials and staff from Trinitas Hospital are coordinating an area-wide approach to offer a grief counseling network for victims following the World Trade Center disaster and providing transportation to family members who need to get in to New York to ascertain the status of loved ones.

The expected heavy demand has county mental health officials and Trinitas Hospital administration developing a pool of professionals who will be available to go out to locations such as school and work sites on short notice.

Also part of the effort, free transportation to assist residents who have lost family members from the terrorist attack is being made available for residents who need to make final arrangements.

"Our priority is to provide as much assistance as possible to the residents of our county who have been impacted by this unimaginable tragedy," said Freeholder Alexander Mirabella.

Any resident of Union County who has lost a family member and needs transportation to New York City or any other location to make an identification or an arrangement, is asked to call a 24-hour hotline at 1-877-424-1234 for assistance. Sheriff Ralph Froehlich said officers from the Union County Police Department and the Sheriff's Office will

be making personnel available around the clock to provide the transport.

Mental health professionals from Trinitas have already experienced a heavy demand for disaster-related counseling, according to Gary Horan, Trinitas Hospital president and chief executive officer.

James Lape, vice president of the Trinitas psychiatry unit, said he knows from other recent tragedies like the Oklahoma City bombing, expressions of grief and anxiety have numerous phases and may extend for several weeks.

"We want to meet the needs of people in Union County for grief counseling by quickly identifying and prioritizing those affected," Lape said. "We're here to address both the short and long-term psychological effects of the disaster."

Pai Neary-Ludmer, director of Trinitas' Family Resource Center, said families are already beginning to reach out for help. "Cranford, Summit, and Westfield seem to be among the towns that have a higher number of people who worked at the Twin Towers and we have already taken a large number of calls," she said.

The Family Resource Center can be reached at 908-276-2244, Ext. 14, and residents also may call the Trinitas Crisis Hotline at 908-351-6684.

Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield treated about two dozen people who made their way to the hospital after the Sept. 11 attack, said Tom Casey, a spokesman. There were some broken bones and complaints of chest pains, but all patients were treated and released.

The hospital is now collecting comfort kits, which contain various disposable personal hygiene

products, for rescue workers in Manhattan. For information, call 732-321-7089. Casey said the hospital's blood drives also have seen a sharp increase in participation, as much as five times more donors than usual.

"We didn't receive any patients until late in the evening," Colleen Dolaney, a spokeswoman for Rahway Hospital, said. Like Muhlenberg, Rahway treated and released people who made it to the hospital on their own.

Overlook Hospital in Summit reported 30 injured people treated and released, most of which were minor burns, abrasions, smoke inhalation, minor eye injuries and mild trauma.

Staff Writers Robert Cookley and Joan M. Devlin contributed to this report.

Kennel club seeks donations for dogs

The Union County Kennel Club, which meets monthly at the VFW Hall on Stuyvesant Avenue in Union, is seeking donations to aid search and rescue K-9 dogs involved in the World Trade Center rescue effort.

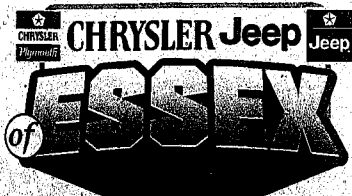
The club already has donated \$1,000 and seeks similar contributions from other kennel clubs in New Jersey. During rescue efforts, dogs' paws are being destroyed because of broken glass and other debris throughout the disaster site. Dog supplies, including dog boots, are needed.

Donations can be sent to: Annette Mellinger, secretary of the Union County Kennel Club, 75 Amboy Road, Matawan, 07747. For more information, call 732-583-3887.

This space is dedicated to the many people who have lost loved ones in the recent national tragedy, and to the valiant efforts of those who continue to give selflessly of their time and emotion to the rescue efforts.

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FestiFall returns to Downtown Westfield this Sunday

Sunday marks the return of one of New Jersey's most popular events, the 12th annual Westfield FestiFall of Arts and Crafts.

The Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce sponsors this event that fills the streets of Downtown Westfield with tens of thousands of delighted fairgoers. This year's entertainment boasts five great bands, plenty of tasty festival food and more than 300 exhibits of quality crafts, children's activities, art and local businesses.

Westfield's FestiFall detours traffic along Elm, Quimby, Prospect and East Broad streets early Sunday

morning until after the event closes at 5 p.m.

The stage area at the corner of Broad and Elm streets features jazz group Perception at 11 a.m., popular local favorite Front Porch Swing at noon, and blues singer Alvin Madison at 1 p.m. Big Band crooner Bob Mele sings at 2 p.m., and the big blues sounds of Dean Shot and His Blues Revue rock the stage at 3 p.m. Dixie Time, a versatile and lively Dixieland band, performs at 4 p.m.

Serving up some delicious festival foods are 16 food concessions. The festival menu includes Chinese and Greek foods, calzone, Italian sausage,

garlic chicken kebabs and London broil. The lighter fare will include fresh fruit Smoothies; ice cream, homemade fudge and Pennsylvania Dutch funnel cakes. Maison Crepes will serve delicious dessert crepes.

Exhibitors travel from nine states to participate in FestiFall's vast marketplace of fine art and crafts that includes unique designer clothing, jewelry, handmade toys, wood carving, quilts, hand-thrown pottery, dolls, handmade furniture, home and garden accessories. Other unusual crafts include the fantastic mosaic creations by Deanna Bauer of Del. Haven, N.J. Using found objects,

senshells and broken china heirlooms, she creates scenic designs on coffee tables and wall hangings.

Fine artists will display and sell their original watercolors, oil paintings and photography at FestiFall. Zhenong Lu from Jamaica, N.Y., painting and photography at FestiFall. Elizabeth artist Kathleen Cruise creates framed graphics with musical themes. Connecticut photographer Duncan Hall sells his colorful travel scenes and framed images from English gardens.

Many local businesses will be selling at FestiFall. Many churches and community groups plan to participate.

FestiFall attracts more than 40 local not-profit and service organizations. These groups use FestiFall for community visibility and important fund-raising activities.

The children will enjoy pony rides, located in the parking area of PNC Bank at North and East Broad streets. A Moonwalk, temporary tattoos and face painting are other family activities.

"Admission and parking are free and we're inviting everyone to come

Downtown to enjoy a terrific family fun day," commented Debbie Schmitt of the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce.

FestiFall hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Elm, East Broad, Prospect and Quimby streets. For more information, contact the event's promoter, The Advertising Alliance, at 908-995-2246 or The Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce at 908-233-3021. The rain date is Sept. 30.

Arts Guild to sponsor series of classes

The Arts Guild of Rahway will present an eight-week series of art classes beginning Tuesday. This program is made possible in part by a HEART Grant from The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders. Additional funding has been contributed by Infineum USA LP.

• **Life Drawing:** Tuesday evenings, Sept. 25 to Nov. 3; 7 to 9:30 p.m. \$8 per session or \$58 in advance for all eight weeks. Live models pose each week for artists to draw. Registrants are responsible for all drawing materials. No instructor.

• **Pottery:** Wednesdays, Sept. 26 to Nov. 14. Days: 1 to 3 p.m., instructor Penelope Galanis, maximum: 12 stu-

dents. Evenings: 7:30 to 9:30 p.m., instructor Anker West. Both sessions: maximum 12, members \$100, non-members \$115.

• **Begining and intermediate work with clay in both classes.** Learn slab and coil techniques to build pots, vessels, tiles, sculpture. Coloring with glazes and under-glazes. All materials and firing included.

• **Pottery for Kids:** Open to 4th- and 5th-graders, Wednesdays, Sept. 26 to Nov. 14; 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Maximum 10 students, members \$70, non-members \$80.

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clay-working and coloring glazes. All materials included. Different projects each week.

• **Painting With Oils:** Thursdays, Oct. 4 to Nov. 29, no class Nov. 22, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Instructor Gerry Heydt, maximum 12 students, members \$105, non-members \$115.

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• **Begining Stained Glass Workshops:** Thursdays, Oct. 4 to Nov. 29, 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Instructor Dan Savard, maximum nine students,

members \$75, non-members \$85.

• **Intermediate Stained Glass:** Thursdays, Oct. 4 to Nov. 29, 8:30 to 10 a.m. Instructor Dan Savard, members \$85, non-members \$95.

More complex glass projects. Basic experience necessary. Materials list is available at first class. Students responsible for tools and materials.

Registration for all classes in a first come, first serve basis. Registration forms and information on membership are available at The Arts Guild of Rahway, 1670 Irving St., Rahway, or call 732-381-7511 to register by phone. Full payment is due before classes begin.

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Memories, and actions of neighbors, of this past week amaze me

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 the FBI collar suspected terrorists.
 On Thursday, on Linden Place in Cranford, Tricia Nist had already planned a giant U-haul filled with emergency supplies to be shipped to help the rescue workers. Along with her neighbor, Sue Matloss, they supervised the stream of neighbors dropping off supplies.
 I saw a lot of hugging. We seemed to do a lot of that last week in Cranford. Later that night, as I pulled into my own home on Ridge Street, I was delighted to see flags on a virtually every house, including my own.
 On Friday, the horror of the tragedy was becoming very personal. Assemblyman Joseph Suliga and Linden Municipal Court Judge William Daniel waited on line with their fellow residents to give blood. Plainfield Detective Keith Lattimore actually took a moment to pull out the existing wanted posters for Osama bin Laden, the suspected mastermind.


We can't understand how the 6-foot, 5-inch, 140-pound "stringbean" can't be captured.
 On cable television, Roselle Park Police Chief Warren Wielgus gives a dignified brief summary of his community's steps to be prepared. I compare his performance quite favorably to another local chief who uses the TV opportunity to engage in a session of department and individual self-praise. It shows the line between public service and self-promotion. ☺
 At lunch on Friday, Roselle Park dentist Lester Burman gets a cell phone call informing him that a patient was missing and authorities were looking for his dental records. Burman is shaken and tells his staff that he will personally deliver the records to the grief-stricken family.
 Later that day, Claudia Martins of Elizabeth, a honcho in the county personnel department, makes it clear to me that she will spend the weekend working with relief efforts. She says, "I am a citizen

and this is my duty."
 Friday evening, Kathy Yukobrovich of Cranford walked down Columbia Avenue with her neighbors to Orange Avenue. A vigil was held for missing citizen Dean Eberling. We prayed, held hands, and sang patriotic songs. The neighbors on Columbia didn't know Eberling, but a sense of community was becoming stronger.
 I am pleased with the outpouring of support for the public safety workers. Maybe this is a new trend, a new definition, of what heroes really are. A man in Kenilworth tells me, "I'm 57, overweight, with bad knees, but I'm ready to go and fight." Everywhere I go, there is an intense need for people to articulate where they were at the time of the attack, and what they think we should do.
 The sign in front of D.A. Chiera Excavating in Summit Saturday morning read, "Donate here to help NYC." The cars again pulled in quietly and efficiently to drop off supplies which are starting to over-

whelm the rescue workers. In Berkeley Heights, an employee at the Berkeley Hardware Store answers in a staccato voice that "No, we do not have flags, we are not sure when we can get them."
 Signs at Target in Linden and Villagers Hardware in Garwood both are apologetic that they don't have flags, but are making efforts to get more. Yet former Mayor Paul LaCorte and community watchdog Lydia Allen, both of Cranford, sport giant flags in front of their homes.
 At Ulrich Field in Rahway, a team representing a Union Township chiropractor is playing softball. I start to think that if we do need ground troops, as happens in war, these young men may soon become warriors. At the entrance to the park, two pre-teens wave signs "Honk if you love America." I think that our love is going to be a lot more costly than honking or just waving a flag.
 By 7:30 p.m. on Sunday, a half-


hour before the event, the bleachers at Arthur L. Johnson High School in Clark are filled. A school band rehearses "America the Beautiful." By 7:40 p.m., the parade of public safety vehicles, their red lights brightening up the chilling dark sky, drive onto the field.
 The crowd is so big for the candlelight ceremony that people line up on the 40-yard line. Nicole Signorello sings a stirring rendition of the National Anthem. A religious representative reminds us not to become that which we despise. Superintendent of Schools Paul Ortizo speaks movingly of the need to become good incrementally.
 The words are so touching everywhere. I think to myself that the stringbean and his allies have terribly misjudged the resolve or

our country. By Monday the traffic is intense, and the reports are that we will have both a war and recession. Like our grandparents who faced the challenge of being the greatest generation, for many our time of testing had arrived.
 At the candlelight vigil in Cranford on Thursday, Ed Gallagher, father-in-law of Dean Eberling, asked that I convey his gratitude for the work of the New York rescue workers. He is a friend, an ex-steel worker himself, and simply a straight shooter.
 I am helpless to help Ed more than to honor his request. I pray that God eases the suffering of Ed Gallagher and so many other wonderful people so unfairly hurt.
 A resident of Cranford, Frank Capecce is an attorney.




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Theater Project presents prize-winning play

The award-winning Theater Project in Cranford will present Paula Vogel's Pulitzer Prize-winning play, "How I Learned to Drive." Directed by Theater Project Artistic Director Mark Spina, "How I Learned to Drive" runs three weekends, today through Oct. 7. Performances are Thursdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m., with two Sunday matinees Sept. 30 and Oct. 7 at 3 p.m. General admission tickets are \$7 Thursdays and \$14 Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. Student tickets are \$7 for all performances.

The Theater Project is in residence at the Roy E. Smith Theater on the campus of Union County College, 1033 Springfield Ave., Cranford. For information or to purchase tickets, call the box office at 908-659-5189.

A touching and often surprisingly humorous portrait, "How I Learned to Drive" explores the complex ties, the ebb and flow of affection and betrayal, stemming from a cycle of abuse in a Maryland family. Despite its realistic and honest portrayal of a family trauma, the play emerges as a tribute to the survivability of even the most vulnerable and victimized.

Vogel has often written about subjects considered provocative and taboo. Her plays are sparked with humor offered as a therapeutic means of surviving some of life's most serious pain. That blend of the cathartic comic with the most moving

life-sized tragedies has never come together better than it does in the award-winning "How I Learned to Drive."

Spina is the founder and artistic director of the Theater Project. He has directed numerous shows for the Theater Project as well as for the acclaimed Montclair-based theater company 12 Miles West and for Dreamcatchers Repertory in Bloomfield.

The cast includes Theater Project regulars Barbara Guidi, Gary Glor and Dainmah Talley, as well as Jason Zamreita and Megan Muckelmann.

The opening night reception for "How I Learned to Drive" will be held immediately following the performance. A panel discussion featuring experts in the field of child abuse will follow the Sept. 28 performance. There also will be talk-back sessions with the director and cast following the performances Friday and Saturday.

Funding has been made possible in part by grants from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State, through a grant administered by the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs; a HEART Grant from the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the Union County College Foundation, and the generosity of Joseph Cecala and Marion Curka.



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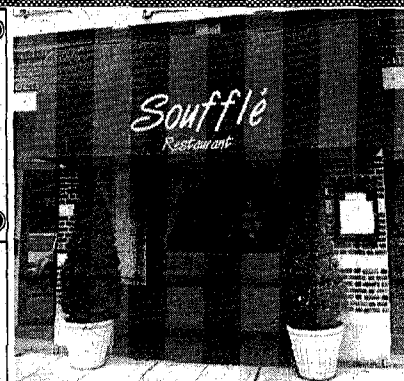
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First-year level courses being offered this fall are American Sign Language I and Visual Gestural Communication Techniques. Second-year level offerings are American Sign Language 3 and American Sign Language Linguistics. Third-year level courses are American Sign Language

5, Test and Discourse Analysis for Interpreting, ASL to English (Sign to Voice) Interpreting, and Preventive Measures Against Cumulative Trauma Disorders.

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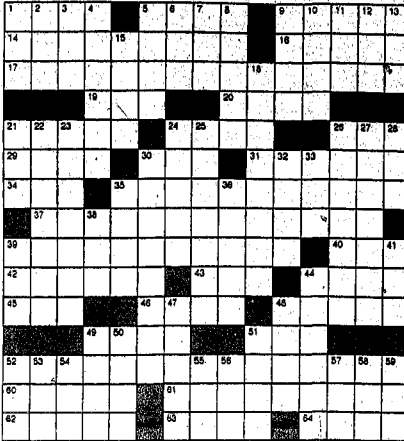
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Sept. 24 to 30

ARIES (March 21-April 19): A heart-to-heart talk clears the air and brings some understanding to a troubled or faltering relationship. Set the stage for intimacy.
Taurus (April 20-May 20): Clutter and confusion in your creative space could be your downfall. Strive for a harmonious and orderly environment in which to be productive.
GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Creativity in social or romantic situations pays off. Plan a special presentation to show off your artistic skills to a friend or loved one.
CANCER (June 22-July 22): Family members have a lot to say about your plans. Without getting upset, listen to their input, but stand your own ground.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Let your imagination run wild in an effort to put some highly inventive ideas to work for you. Don't take criticism or negative thinking to heart.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Your

emotional ties to a loved one could cloud your judgment and cause you to make the wrong decisions. Bury the past and go after the truth.
LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23): Diplomacy is the key to successful negotiations in social or romantic situations. Put your ego-driven needs aside and give a little and get a lot.
SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21): There's information to be gained beyond the realm of the five senses. Pay attention and use your intuition to help solve a problem!
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): A romantic relationship takes root and grows out of a platonic or special friendship. Make sure that you are both on the same page.
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Being multifaceted and flexible is a sure way to get your foot in the door with a new firm or supervisor. Pick a target and work your magic.
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Explore different philosophies, political platforms or unusual schools of

thought. Don't rule out adding a new language to your resume.
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Put the squeeze on your budget (or some extra cash) to make a purchase for the home. Handle joint or corporate accounts with care.
 If your birthday is this week, "anything is possible" should be your motto for the coming year. Go ahead and dream the big dream while keeping the faith, and believing dreams can come true. The downside to this cycle is a tendency toward self-delusion or personal oversights. Avoid setting yourself up for a letdown by placing your expectations far beyond reasonable or attainable limits.
 Also born this week: F. Scott Fitzgerald, Barbara Walters, George Gerstlwin, Arthur Penn, Gwyneth Paltrow, Leah Walea and Truman Capote.

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ORGANIZATION: The Harvestfest Committee

OTHER

SUNDAY
 September 23, 2001
EVENT: 8th Annual Dog Walkathon-Fair
PLACE: Maplewood Memorial Park, Corner Oakview and Valley, Maplewood
TIME: 11am-5pm, Rain or Shine
PRICE: \$7.00 per adult \$5.00 per dog. \$3.00 per child 16 and under; children under 5 free. Featuring Free Style Dancing With Your Dog; A Demonstration by Pam Dennison and "Cody" AND Humane Education Award Presented to Star Lodge's Joan Lowell Smith. PLUS Bazaar, Demos, Games and more! For information call 973-763-7322.
ORGANIZATION: Jersey Animal Coalition (JAC)

SATURDAY

September 29th, 2001, (rain date: September 30th)
EVENT: Ukrainian Church Festival
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- **Union High School Class of 1981** will conduct its 20th reunion Nov. 23. For information, call Reunions Unlimited Inc. at 732-617-1000.
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- **Saint Mary's High School, Elizabeth, Class of 1951** is in the process of forming plans for a 50th reunion in 2001. For information, call Jim Powers at 908-272-8649.
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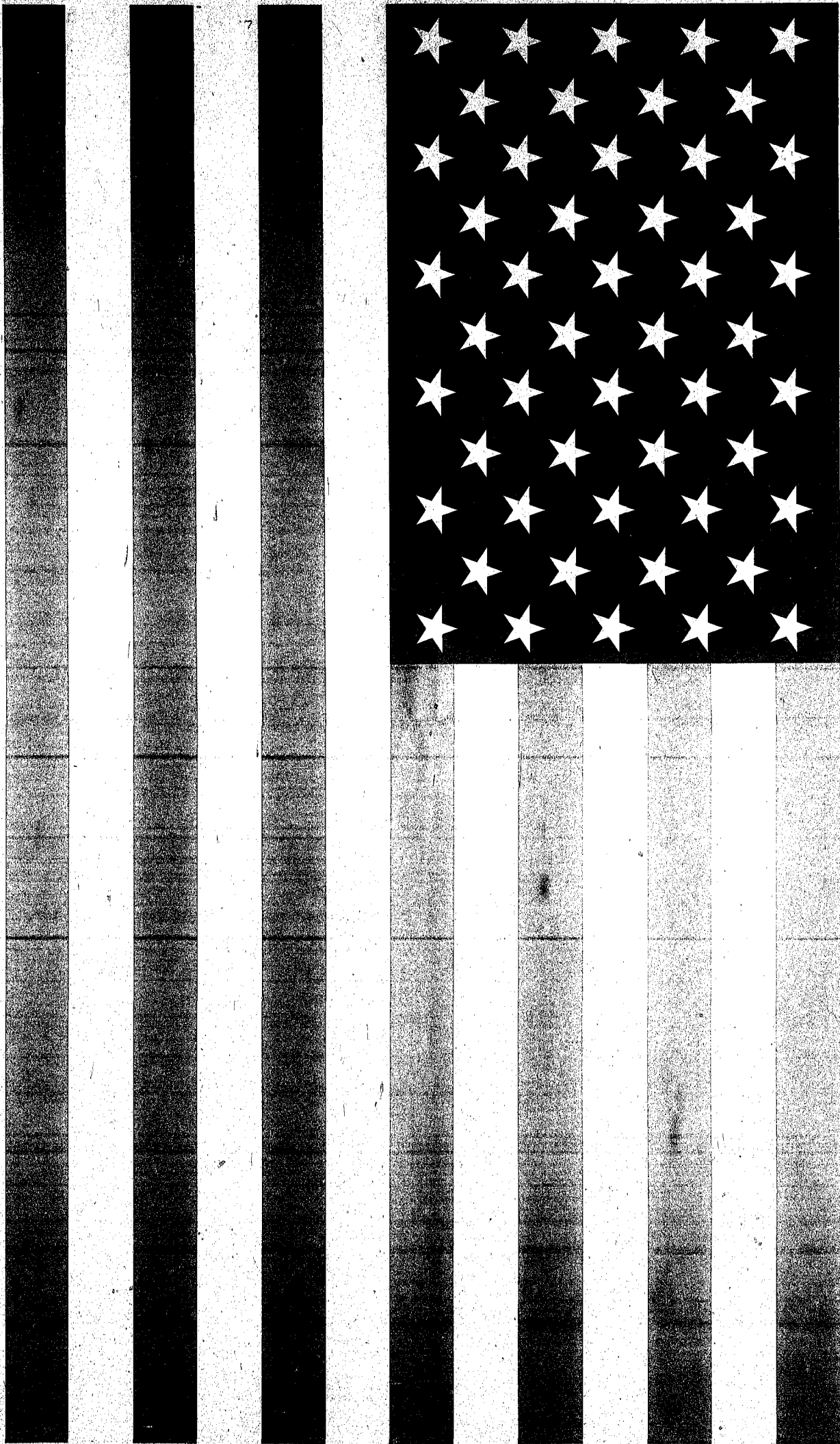
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In times of tragedy, there is a time for every reaction & emotion

The following sermon, "Now is the Time," was delivered Sunday by the Rev. Charles Hale, guest pastor at the First Presbyterian Church of Rahway. Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8

Be Our Guest

By The Rev. Charles Hale

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted; a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; a time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; a time to seek, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to cast away; a time to rend, and a time to sew; a time to keep silent, and a time to speak; a time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace.

An awful tragedy — a terrible attack — has hit, hurt, and crippled our nation. We come to our churches and look to our faith for help — help to understand, help to heal, help to move on.

A week ago, when I was asked to fill the pulpit today, I said to myself, "These are unusually quiet times. What will I talk about?" As I usually do, I went to the lectionary, chose the recommended Scripture passages, began my sermon, gave the title and left the rest to the secretary. After Tuesday's tragedy, I knew what to talk about, but not what needed to be said. This is why I didn't call the office back to make any changes — because I didn't know what I would feel moved to say or how to say it before now.

The best way to understand the place we are in as Christians is that our situation is comparable to the death of someone very, very close to us. This is a time for grieving. We have suffered a major blow to our faith and our hope, and even to our love for humankind.

There will be a time to move on and deal responsibly with our response to the enemy. That will come after this week.

When a death of similar tragedy enters our life, one of the things we always desire to reach out to ask for — and to give — human emotional support to one another. In this case, there has been an incredible outpouring of support for the families of the victims.

The rescue and fire departments. I don't know what happens in other countries, but I can say that in these United States — and especially in the cities most touched by the tragedy — the outpouring of emotional support, and blood, and money have been "over the top." We have "been there and stood beside" those who needed us. This is our work to do these things. This is the time to show our support.

The other thing we do as such times is to reach for our faith resources. We turn to our Scriptures and to our churches. The many community gatherings have stressed our common bonds in the Christian, Muslim and Jewish faiths. What is happening is comparable to the conduct of a funeral service — a memorial service. Now is the time for us to connect with these resources. If you watched the memorial service at the National Cathedral at noon on Friday, you saw an exceptional example of this kind of service. Listen to the words of the Psalmist.

First, the 23rd Psalm
The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want; he makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters; he restores my soul. He leads me in the path of righteousness for his name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadows of death, I fear not evil, for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me. Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of my enemies; thou dost smite my head with oil, my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Next, the 46th Psalm
God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with tumult. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of her, she shall not be moved. God will

help her right early. The nations rage, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts. The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Come, behold the works of the Lord, how he has wrought deliverances in the earth. He makes wars cease in the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, he burns the chariots with fire. "Be still and know that I am God. I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth!" The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

It is said that the job of the preacher is to "comfort the afflicted, and afflict the comfortable." Usually, I'm known for doing a pretty fair job of afflicting the comfortable. But this is not the time for that. We have had our affliction. We are having our affliction. Now is the time to hear that we are God's beloved children; that our God is a loving God, a strong God, a faithful God, and a gracious God.

Sin and suffering have always been a mystery for us. There are no simple answers to why God allows suffering or permits sin. All we can say in times like this is that God is with us. God cares about our suffering. God is stronger than sin and evil. In the end, God's love will have the last word, as it did at the empty tomb.

Consider then, the familiar words of the New Testament, in John 14. Jesus speaks to his disciples about his impending death, and encourages them not to be afraid. He says:

"Let not your hearts be troubled; believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And when I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also. And you know the way where I am going."

Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but by me. If you had known me, you would have known my Father also; henceforth you know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we shall be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and yet you do not know me, Philip? He who has seen me

has seen the Father; how can you say, 'Show me the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe in me that I am in the Father and the Father in me; or else believe me for the sake of the works themselves."

Those whose lives were taken by this tragic event have gone on to a better life. If we believe there is a God and there is a life after death with God, then we must believe that the pain is ours, not theirs — except insofar as they share our pain because they share our love. And we do not believe that they have fully left us, for, using the imagery of the Apostle Paul, we believe that we are surrounded by a "Cloud of Witnesses." The imagery Paul uses is that of a stadium where those who have died are the spectators in the stands, and we who are living are the players on the field. Those who have died are cheering on those who have to struggle with all the pains and problems that come with life.

All of us know that we have a short attention span and while there is a wonderful outpouring of sympathy and money and effort now in the immediate aftermath, nevertheless, the grieving process takes a very long time and the problems of living without those who have died are problems that will need steady, sustained, loving support in the weeks, and months, and even years ahead. And we know how difficult it will be to sustain this outpouring of sympathy, and money, and effort in those days in the future. I am surprised that I haven't read anyone referring to Dr. Kubler-Ross' book, "On Death and Dying," because she clearly spells out what each grieving person will have to go through — and what we can do to help them. And we need to realize that even if we haven't lost a person, every one of us is grieving for our lost security and a sense of peace in our nation.

One of the issues which has been frequently mentioned is the issue of anger. When we lose something dear to us — a person, or an occupation, or a possession, or even a building like the World Trade Towers with their magnificent presence on the New York skyline, when we lose something, it is absolutely right and normal for us to be angry because something or someone dear has been taken from

us. Actually, anger has its root in fear, and when something is taken from us, that loss reaches down into our gut, and asks, "What next?" Of course, that's the fear question. Anger always goes along with fear, and fear is usually at the root of nearly all anger, as far as I know. Anger is normal. Anger is right. It is absolutely normal to be angry with God when something we thought God wanted us to have is taken from us.

In human experience, when we confront someone angry, we also stimulate fear in them, because they are afraid of what we might do to them in our anger. So they become angry back at us. So, we learn, early, to be afraid of showing anger — and especially that it is taboo to be angry with God.

Not so. Our anger doesn't stimulate God's fear! God is not afraid of our anger. God doesn't return anger with punishment, as a human might do. God knows that we are simply feeling the pain of our loss and the fear of what might happen next.

But what will we do, after this week is over? There is much talk of bringing the guilty parties to justice, perhaps through a war. I think most of us have an inkling of just how difficult that will be. We are dealing with an enemy which has an endless supply of capable men who believe they have nothing to lose and must to gain by sacrificing their lives for Allah. That is the kind of enemy we have never faced before, not even in Vietnam. Other wars have been fought for territory, or for money, or for power, or for prestige. But if we fight this one, we will be fighting a religious enemy whose goal is self-sacrifice — not personal gain. And we are not fighting a small band of terrorists. We are fighting against a spiritual ideal which is held through much of the Arab world. Terrorists are not "things" as we usually think of that, as in organized crime. Today's terrorist is a religious man driven by a spiritual goal. It has been pointed out that in the Arab world, the two names most commonly chosen for boy babies are Mohammed and Osman. Before we tackle the head "Osman," we need to understand what, as well as who, our enemy is. In this war, the bad guys wear the same color hats as we wear! I caution all of us to be wary of pushing our leaders to swiftly bring the enemy to justice, lest they be pushed into a lapse of good judgment in their actions.

In a spiritual conflict, which is what this is, we need to recall our spiritual roots, and I call us to consider Jesus' Sermon on the Mount:

Matthew 5
Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down his disciples came to him.

And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."

"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth."

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied."

"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy."

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God."

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the children of God."

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

"Blessed are you when men revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so men persecuted the prophets who were before you."

"You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under foot by men ... You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house."

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."

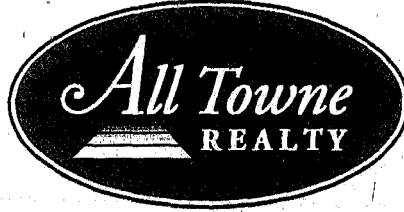
Now is the time to stop and grieve and pray and bond together with sympathy and support. Next week, as we resume our regular schedules and begin the rebuilding process, we need to remember that grief and suffering don't end in a neat week's time; remember to seek ways to continue to bond and support those whose grief continues.

But next week we must go on with our lives — clearing the rubble, identifying...

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Reflecting on rearview mirrors

By Jon Woods and Gary Nugent
Remember when a mirror was made for looking into?

The story goes that the first use of a rearview mirror was on an Indianapolis race car way back in the '20s. The driver might have even been the legendary Barney Oldfield. It enabled him to watch for competitors sneaking up behind him. Since then, rearview mirrors have gone through some rather dramatic changes.

I remember when the "coolest" rearview mirror on the market was the "day/night" model. Remember? It had a little lever to move on the bottom. When you moved it to the "night" position, it would prevent the bright lights from the car behind from blinding you. Now, mirrors automatically dim.

Some mirrors even have reading lights located in them. Then, of course, you've got the mirrors that have a compass built in — just in case you can't find the Atlantic Ocean. And, of course, if you are going to the beach, you need to know the outside air temperature, right? After all, you wouldn't want to wear the incorrect cover-up once you do find the beach. They couldn't get more stuff into that

mirror if they had to — or could they? According to the Automotive News, Genetex has developed a mirror that will not only do all those mundane tasks, but will also have buttons to summon emergency help by satellite, access the cell phone and request concierge service. This new technology is referred to as "telematics" and will be introduced in mid-2001.

They're even going to use the mirror as the antenna for your new wireless modem. Yes, your new modem! After all, how could any well-informed yuppie — ooops — executive that is, function without access to the Internet and Yahoo.com or Ebay.com? (If you think drivers with cell phones are a problem, just wait till the Internet hits the car!)

Besides, I don't know about you, but these fancy mirrors are definitely going to put a crimp in my wife's application of makeup.

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War will require the very best

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tifying bodies, putting broken pieces together, seeking to locate the criminals, building safeguards to prevent this from happening again. All of this will be happening.

I ask you to take one idea away from this worship service, however, one idea which won't necessarily be out there. This is a war like none in the history of our country. It is, in reality, a spiritual war with a religious enemy. The finest weapons and the finest armies will not defeat this enemy. He will laugh at them.

This war will require the very best spiritual base that can be found. Yes, in Christianity, but in Judaism and in Mohamadianism as well! The most important training we can have for this battle isn't military training or intelligence training, but spiritual training in good theology. And there

is good and bad theology in every religion. Beware of simplistic solutions and religious fundamentalism. That's bad theology, and that's at the very root of this conflict.

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